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BRYAN WILL ASK BERLIN FOR DATA ON SHIP SINKING

Secretary Announces Germany Will Be Requested to Supply Facts About Torpedoing of Guilflight.

OFFICIAL REPORT IS RECEIVED
Vessel Has Been Towed Into Crow Sound, Scilly, by a British Patrol.

CARGO SEEMINGLY UNDAMAGED

WASHINGTON, May 3.—Secretary Bryan announced late today that he would instruct Ambassador Gerard to inquire of the German government for the facts in connection with the torpedoing of the American ship, Guilflight, by a German submarine.

Consul Stevens sent another message late today, as follows: "Guilflight towed into Crow sound, Scilly, by British patrol. Topped struck bow. Vessel down by head. Freeboard forward, about two feet forehold full. Cargo apparently undamaged. Blowing gale from east."

First Official Report.
The first official report of the torpedoing of the American tanker, Guilflight, reached the State department in an undated dispatch from Consul Stephens at Plymouth, England, saying the attack was made Saturday, but the vessel was still afloat and that patrol boats were attempting to tow her the Scilly Islands.

Consul Stephens' message follows: "American tank steamer Guilflight torpedoed off Scilly Islands first instant. Captain died heart failure, body landed. Two of crew drowned, thirty-four saved. Vessel afloat; patrol boats attempting to tow it to Scilly."

Will Reserve Judgment.
President Wilson will reserve judgment on the torpedoing of the American steamer, Guilflight, until full official details are received. The president inquired about the incident when he arrived from Williamstown, Mass., today, but was told that so far as White House officials knew, no official word has come.

On the fact of the attack on the ship is a serious matter, but they intend that a very thorough investigation shall be made and that no hasty action should be taken.

Identify of Three Victims.
NEW YORK, May 3.—The two Americans, in addition to Captain Gunter, who lost their lives when the American steamer Guilflight was torpedoed off the Scilly Islands, were Charles G. Short of Chicago, the wireless operator, and Eugene Chapman of the Port Arthur, Tex., a seaman, according to a cablegram received here today by the Gulf Refining company, owners of the vessel.

The message, a brief one, was signed by First Officer Ralph Smith. It said that Captain Alfred Gunter, whose home is in Bayonne, N. J., died of heart disease, and that Short and Chapman were lost. It is believed that these were the two men reported yesterday to have jumped overboard.

Short was taken aboard the Guilflight at New Orleans April 7. This was his first trip aboard the vessel. Chapman shipped at Port Arthur, including its officers, the Guilflight had thirty-eight men aboard, most of them hailing from Gulf of Mexico ports. Ship and cargo, according to James Kennedy, marine superintendent of the company, were valued at \$1,000,000.

Mr. Kennedy said he was waiting further advice before communicating with the State department. A claim for the loss sustained, including damages for the lives lost, undoubtedly will be filed with the State department, he thought.

The Guilflight's cargo, Mr. Kennedy said, consisted of gasoline and oil, consigned to firms in France and not to the French government.

Captain Gunter, whose death from heart failure was reported, was 52 years old.

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WOUNDED GERMAN SOLDIERS arriving at a field hospital in Tejny. Note that some of the men are carrying their now helpless comrades.



PLANS FOR STATE SEMI-CENTENNIAL

State Historical Society Names Committee to See that Celebration is Carried Out.

WEBSTER PRESENTS THE CASE

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, May 3.—(Special.)—Plans for celebrating the semi-centennial of the admission of Nebraska into the union as a state March 1, 1917, took definite form today at a meeting of the State Historical society.

General John L. Webster presented the matter formally as president of the society, and Bishop Thayer moved the selection of a committee to take charge of the celebration, specifying that General Webster should be chairman.

Webster's statement.
In presenting the matter General Webster said:

"The State Historical society should take immediate steps to have the semi-centennial of the admission of Nebraska into the union celebrated in a manner suitable to the occasion and with a degree of magnificence that will represent the growth and prosperity of the state. The admission took place when the nation was rising upward from a period of depression growing out of the Civil war into a new life of prosperity and vigor, from which it has grown to be one of the greatest of the world's powers. Some of the renowned statesmen whose memories are imperishable took an active part in having Nebraska admitted into the sisterhood of states.

Society Should Act.
"The initiative in having this historical incident suitably celebrated properly belongs to the historical society. The legislature, although earnestly requested, failed to make an appropriation to cover the expense of the celebration, and it therefore, seems fitting and necessary that it should be put under the charge of a general committee, to be selected from the body of the people. With the appointment under the authority of the historical society its members will have a quasi-official position, and such committee can arrange, finance and work out the details of the celebration.

Opportunities for Progress.
"The occasion is one which offers the greatest possible opportunities for military and civic progress, for public address and for the writing and recording of state history. These can well cover the transition from the primitive wilderness and Indian savagery to the days of the discoverers and pioneers, from territorial times to statehood, and from the beginning of statehood to our present wealth and prosperity. Through these different periods of transformation there is that which may be represented in gorgeous and brilliant pageantry or displayed in commercial and mechanical exhibits that will typify the progress from the wilderness of the prairies to the richness of our splendid state.

From the Old to the New.
"From the past to the present, from the old to the new, there is a domain (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

STOP OFF IN OMAHA THE GATE-CITY-OF-THE-WEST

The South Omaha market is the third live stock center in the world, receiving last year shipments from twenty-six states. It is also the second sheep market, first feeder sheep market and first range horse market in the United States.

Few Firemen and Engineers Affected by Advance in Pay

CHICAGO, May 3.—The Brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen after analyzing the arbitration award for three days, today issued a statement in support of their contention that the wage advances granted were very small.

The increase aggregate, according to these figures, \$200,000 a year. The figures are for wages alone and do not include the value of compensatory rules or overtime allowance granted. The railroads contended throughout the case that to grant every demand made by the men would cost the ninety-eight western railroads involved \$40,000,000 a year. The men say the cost would not run over \$10,000,000 a year.

The award is said to affect engineers on only 5,700 locomotives out of 23,812 in service. The advances to the engineers total \$11,111.67, according to the Brotherhoods.

Firemen in 7,000 locomotives out of 23,812 in service receive a total increase of \$88,287.93. It is calculated by the Brotherhoods.

Managers of the railroads assert that the cost of the award will be known only after the rules have been put into effect and the payrolls can be analyzed.

Chairman of the Brotherhoods, with their grand officers were in executive session here today. It was stated that an investigation by congress into the appointment of Charles Nagel, former secretary of commerce and labor, as a neutral member of the board of arbitration would be requested.

United Cigar Stores Under Scrutiny of Attorney General

NEW YORK, May 3.—The complaint filed with the United States attorney general by the Independent Retail Tobacco Association of America asking for dissolution of the United Cigar Stores Company of America, as an illegal combination under the Sherman anti-trust law, has been forwarded here to Claude A. Thompson, special assistant to the United States district attorney for investigation.

The complaint alleges that the American Tobacco company disposes of its products only to the United Cigar Stores Company of America, and refuses to sell to independent dealers; that the United Cigar Stores company is connected with United Profit Sharing corporation, which deals in coupon and gift enterprises and that the independent dealers are compelled to buy from and handle the goods of the Tobacco Products company. By the use of these coupons and gift enterprises, the United Cigar Stores Company of America has become a monopoly, it is alleged.

Where to Vote Today.

- FIRST WARD. 1-272 Sherman Ave. 2-111 N. 24th. 3-1212 Park Ave. 4-224 N. 24th. 5-Fire Engine house, 22d and Ames. 6-211 E. corner 16th and Grand. SEVENTH WARD. 1-Fire Engine house, 21st and Lake. 2-1014 N. 24th. 3-224 N. 24th. 4-1212 Park Ave. 5-1212 N. 24th. 6-1212 N. 24th. 7-421 Grant. 8-201 Leavenworth. NINTH WARD. 1-272 Sherman Ave. 2-111 N. 24th. 3-1212 Park Ave. 4-224 N. 24th. 5-Fire Engine house, 22d and Ames. 6-211 E. corner 16th and Grand. TENTH WARD. 1-272 Sherman Ave. 2-111 N. 24th. 3-1212 Park Ave. 4-224 N. 24th. 5-Fire Engine house, 22d and Ames. 6-211 E. corner 16th and Grand. ELEVENTH WARD. 1-Fire Engine house, 21st and Lake. 2-1014 N. 24th. 3-224 N. 24th. 4-1212 Park Ave. 5-1212 N. 24th. 6-1212 N. 24th. 7-421 Grant. 8-201 Leavenworth. TWELFTH WARD. 1-272 Sherman Ave. 2-111 N. 24th. 3-1212 Park Ave. 4-224 N. 24th. 5-Fire Engine house, 22d and Ames. 6-211 E. corner 16th and Grand.

SUBMARINES SINK THREE MORE SHIPS

Swedish Steamship with Cargo of Timber for Hull is Sent to Bottom of North Sea.

TWO TRAWLERS DESTROYED

LONDON, May 3.—The Exchange Telegraph company has received a dispatch from its correspondent at Copenhagen saying that the Swedish steamer Ellida, timber laden, from Helmsborg for Hull, has been torpedoed in the North Sea by a German submarine. It went to the bottom in less than three minutes. The sixteen men and two women on board escaped in one of the two small boats.

Two More Trawlers Sunk.
ABERDEEN, Scotland, May 3.—Trawlers making port today declare that a German submarine sunk two trawlers within fifty miles of Aberdeen Sunday. The crews of the two vessels were successful in escaping in their small boats and today they came into port.

It would appear as though the submarine ran amuck among the Aberdeen fishing fleet. In addition to sending two to the bottom, it chased three others for twenty miles. A patrol boat was then seen approaching, whereupon the submarine submerged.

Solicitor General of Georgia Asks Frank Be Resentenced

ATLANTA, Ga., May 3.—Solicitor General Dorsey today petitioned the Fulton county superior court for a writ of habeas corpus commanding the sheriff to produce Leo M. Frank before Judge Ben H. Hill for resentencing for the murder of Mary Phagan. The petition, filed despite the fact that the mandate of the supreme court refusing Frank's application for a habeas corpus hearing has not yet been received here, asserts that there is no legal reason why Frank should not now be resentenced, to death, all superseding orders in the case having been dissolved.

NEW YORK CONGRESSMAN DIES SUDDENLY

Philadelphia, May 3.—Congressman J. A. Goulden of New York City died suddenly in the Broad street station of the Pennsylvania railroad this afternoon. Mr. Goulden had been in Maryland on business and was on his way home when stricken.

TEUTONS WIN A GREAT VICTORY OVER RUSSIANS

Austrians Pierce and Break Entire Slav Front in Western Galicia, Say Vienna and Berlin Reports.

12,000 MUSCOVITES ARE TAKEN
German Capital All Aflutter with Flags in Celebration of Defeat of Enemy.

CEAR LOSES MANY HEAVY GUNS

BERLIN, May 3.—(Via London.)—An important Austrian victory in the eastern campaign is announced in the communication issued today from German army headquarters. The statement is made that the Austrians have pierced and broken the entire Russian front in Western Galicia.

The text of the official statement follows: "In the western theater of the war: Yesterday we successfully attacked in Flanders, to the northeast of the Pooelappelle-Ypres road and took the farms of Fortuin, southeast of St. Julien."

"In the Champagne district we inflicted considerable damage on the enemy's positions at Ourchin, Soustin and Perthes by successful mine explosions. "Between the Meuse and the Moselle there were only artillery duels. "Last night the French made unsuccessful attempts to attack our position on the summit of Hartmannsweilerkopf. A French flying machine landed yesterday at Huddington, to the west of Saargemund (in Lorraine). The occupants were taken prisoners. "A German airship squadron attacked the airship hangar and railway station at Ebnal yesterday, apparently with good results. "Advance into Baltic Province. "Eastern theater: During further pursuit of the Russians, who were fleeing in the direction of Riga, we yesterday captured four cannon and four machine guns. We also took 1,700 prisoners, south of Mitau, so that the total number of prisoners was increased to 3,200. "The Russian attacks southeast of Kalwary failed with heavy losses to the enemy. The Russians were driven back across the Skekanga. They left 300 prisoners in our hands. "Northwest of Skierwiesce the Russians also suffered a heavy defeat, in which they lost a great number in killed and 100 men taken prisoners. "Russian Front Crushed. "Southern theater: In the presence of Austrian Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Archduke Frederick and under the leadership of General Colonel Von Mackensen, the allied troops yesterday after bitter fighting, pierced everywhere and crushed the entire Russian front in west Galicia from the neighborhood of the Hungarian frontier to the junction of the Dunajec river with the Vistula. "Such of the enemy as succeeded in escaping are in hasty retreat toward the east, closely pursued by the allied troops. The trophies of the victory cannot yet even be approximately estimated."

Berlin Celebrates.
The reports announcing the victory in the Carpathians led to the entire city of Berlin decking itself with flags. The central telephone stations, the newspaper offices and hotels were besieged by crowds seeking details.

The excitement began when the authorities received orders to fly the flags "on account of a great victory in the Carpathians."

Eight Thousand Russ Taken.
VIENNA (via London), May 3.—The Austrian official statement issued today confirms the German reports of a big Austro-German victory along the entire front in West Galicia, and says that 8,000 Russian prisoners were captured.

The text of the statement follows: "Austro-Hungarian and German forces yesterday attacked the fortified positions in West Galicia and repulsed the Russians along the entire front of Nalastow, Gorlice, Gromik and north of these places. "The Russians suffered severe losses. We captured 8,000 Russians and took a great number of cannon and machine guns. Simultaneously we forced our way across the Dunajec river. "Ground Gained. "On the Carpathian front, the Beakid situation has changed. In the wooded Carpathians we gained ground to the east of Koslowka. We repulsed several counter attacks with slaughter, capturing several hundred Russians and taking three machine guns. "To the north of Omaloda the enemy was thrown from several heights with heavy losses. The fighting in this region is progressing. "On the Russian frontier, between the Pruth and the Dniester, there is nothing new to report."

John R. Cudahy's Share of Father's Estate in Trust

CHICAGO, May 3.—The will of the late meat packer, John Cudahy, filed for probate today, leaves the entire estate to the widow and four children. The instrument does not mention the value of the estate. Counsel for the testator estimated it at \$1,000,000.

The bulk of the property is to be held in trust for seven years, when all of the heirs except John R. Cudahy of Chicago, may take it over.

John R. Cudahy shares equally with the others, except that the trustee will retain his share during his life, giving him the income only in quarterly installments.

"My said son, John," says the will, "shall never have any right or power to anticipate or mortgage, assign or convey, any of the principal or the income from his said share under this will."

Two More Attempts Made to Burn Big Vancouver Bridge

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 3.—As the result of two fires which broke out yesterday on the Granville street bridge, it was reported today that all the bridges of the city would be guarded closely to prevent further loss by fires which the authorities declare to be incendiary origin.

The first of Sunday's blazes occurred shortly before dark and was discovered before material damage had been done. The second fire broke out at 10 p. m. and the center span of the bridge was enveloped by flames when the fire department arrived. The fire was subdued with equal loss.

Three men seen running from beneath the structure shortly before the night fire was discovered are believed by the police to be members of a group of supposed incendiaries, who set fire to bridges in this city last week causing approximately \$50,000 loss.

JAPANESE TO SEND CHINA ULTIMATUM

Action Reported by Tokio Extra Edition of Paper to Have Been Decided On.

NIPPON CABINET TAKES STEP
TOKIO, May 3.—The Jiji Shimpo, a Japanese newspaper of good standing, issued an extra edition this afternoon, in which it made the statement that Japan would send an ultimatum to China, the Chinese reply to the latest Japanese communication regarding the demands of the Tokio government being considered unsatisfactory.

The Japanese cabinet was in session for six hours today. A telegram was dispatched to M. Hiroko, the Japanese minister to Peking.

The Jiharu News agency this afternoon said that the emperor might issue an important order in a few days.

Earlier Rumor of Settlement.
TOKIO, May 1.—Delayed in Transmission.—It is generally believed in Tokio that the negotiations in progress at Peking, between China and Japan, have entered a distinctly hopeful stage, as a result of the decision of the Japanese government to make important concessions in its demands on China.

Japan, it is learned, has agreed to restore to China the Gorman concession of Kiao Chow, if China will accept the Japanese amended demands. Japan has abandoned the clause in the fifth group of the demands which relates to the Chinese police administration and the clause dealing with armaments, in connection with leaving for future consideration whether a Japanese arsenal shall be established in China or whether munitions should be purchased in Japan.

The question of China granting to Japan the right to build railways in southern China has been postponed pending discussions between the Japanese government and the government of other interested powers.

A Peking dispatch, under date of May 2, said that at the conference in Peking on Saturday the Chinese definitely had refused to accept some of the clauses embodied in what is known as group V of the Japanese demands. The conference terminated with the Japanese asking for another meeting.

Growth of Cattle Traffic Increases Profits of Roads

CHICAGO, May 3.—C. B. Heinemann, assistant traffic manager of Morris & Co. W. W. Mankler, assistant traffic manager of Armour & Co., and J. D. Jackson, president of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas were witnesses today in the western commodity rate case. They protested that the railroads were not justified in seeking higher rates on live stock from the west and southwest.

Mr. Heinemann said that the carriers in seeking advances have not followed the scale laid down by the Interstate Commerce commission's ruling in the Oklahoma City case although he said this scale has really resulted in increasing the revenues of the carriers. Touching on the extent to which damage claims' cut into the revenues from this class of traffic, the witness said that in a certain six weeks' period Morris & Co. paid \$60,000 in freight charges and that they had only one damage claim of \$75 out of all these shipments.

Mr. Mankler testified that a special effort was being made by packers of the southwest to stimulate hog raising. He thought that the Interstate Commerce commission in making rates should always consider the rates made by state commissions.

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GERMAN SUBSEA CRAFT RESUME BLOCKADE WORK

Sinking of American Oil Tank Ship Off Scilly Islands Adds Feature to the Newest Form of Warfare.

ACTIVITY IN THE DARDANELLES
Unofficial Reports Say Forces of Allies Are Advancing Toward the Narrows.

GERMANS MOVE INTO COURLAND

The Day's War News
AN IMPOSING VICTORY of Austrian arms over the Russian forces in western Galicia was announced today by the German war office.

SHARP FIGHTING has been resumed in Flanders. French, German and British official statements tell of German attacks near Hill No. 60 and St. Julien, both in the Ypres region. The Paris news London communications say the German onslaught failed, but Berlin characterizes the movements as successful.

SINKING OF THREE more vessels in the North Sea by German submarines in their new campaign is reported today. The Swedish steamer Ellida went to the bottom, in less than three minutes after it was torpedoed. Two vessels in a fishing fleet less than fifty miles off Aberdeen were sunk yesterday.

ITALIAN CABINET has decided not to postpone the assembling of Parliament on May 12 and it is thought in Rome that Parliament may assist the cabinet in reaching "a decision which appears now to be almost inevitable."

INFORMATION FROM the Dardanelles by way of London is that the bombardment of the Turkish forts was carried on Saturday and that great damage was inflicted by the warships of the allies.

LONDON, May 3.—The week-end has been marked by relative mild activity in the North Sea and the resumption of the submarine blockade by German craft, which have destroyed or damaged three vessels off the Scilly Islands, one of the victims being the American oil tank steamer Guilflight.

No further official announcement have been made concerning fighting in the Dardanelles, but unofficial dispatches agree that the allies are progressing toward the narrows, under cover of their naval guns, which are inflicting great damage on the Turkish defenses, including the reported total destruction of the town of Dardanelles.

Turks Claim Victory.
A late Turkish official announcement claimed a victory near Gaba Tepeh, in the Gallipoli peninsula, which is said to have resulted in the retreat of the colonial British troops to the shelter of their warships. This account, however, does not agree with the British official report published Saturday, which declared that the British were resuming the offensive after a stubborn resistance on the part of the Turks.

Petrograd continues to assert that the advance of German troops in the direction of Riga is only a raid, but an uneasy feeling is growing in London that these invaders are in force sufficiently strong seriously to threaten the Russian communications.

Other sections of the eastern front record only minor engagements, while the western battle lines evidently are taking a breathing spell after the strenuous activity of the last fortnight.

British Official Report.
LONDON, May 3.—There was given out today a British official statement dated May 3 and reading as follows: "At 7 p. m. May 1 the Germans attacked Hill No. 60, southeast of Ypres and yesterday evening they attacked in the neighborhood of St. Julien. These attacks were both repulsed. We lost no ground and we inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy in spite of the fact that he again used poisonous gases, emitted both from tubes in the trenches and from especially manufactured shells. "A German aeroplane yesterday afternoon was chased by one of our machines to within rifle range of our trenches and then brought down by our fire."

French Official Report.
PARIS, May 3.—The French war office this afternoon gave out an official report on the progress of hostilities reading: "The Germans yesterday made two attacks with asphyxiating gases. One was to the north of Ypres, near St. Julien, and the other was to the south of Ypres, near Hill No. 60. Neither one accomplished anything. "There is nothing to report from the rest of the front."

PRISON FOR PEDDLERS OF ANY ADULTERATED LIQUOR

CAIRO, May 2.—Martial law has made it a dangerous matter for the peddlers of adulterated liquor to attempt business near the British encampments in Egypt. By proclamation, Lieutenant General Maxwell has empowered special officers to enter and inspect any establishments suspected of selling bad liquor within a radius of five miles of any place where British troops are stationed. Any person found selling adulterated or inferior alcoholic drinks is liable to imprisonment, fine and loss of license.

Egypt is in normal times filled with imitation liquors, wines and beers of such a poisonous nature that the drinkers go insane. Both the health and discipline of the troops was affected by this practice, now removed, in the early days of the war.

The Weather

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Deg.
5 a. m.	48
6 a. m.	48
7 a. m.	48
8 a. m.	48
9 a. m.	48
10 a. m.	48
11 a. m.	48
12 m.	48
1 p. m.	48
2 p. m.	48
3 p. m.	48
4 p. m.	48
5 p. m.	48
6 p. m.	48
7 p. m.	48
8 p. m.	48

Comparative Local Record.

Year	High	Low
1915	58	48
1914	58	48
1913	58	48
1912	58	48

Excess for the day 1.00 inch
Total excess since March 1.00 inch
Normal precipitation 12.12 inch
Deficiency for the day 1.12 inch
Total rainfall since March 1.00 inch
Deficiency since March 1.00 inch
Deficiency for the period 1.12 inch
Excess for the period 1.12 inch

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station	Temp	High	Rain
St. Louis	58	68	0.00
Cheyenne, W. D.	48	58	0.00
Denver, Colo.	50	60	0.00
Des Moines, Ia.	50	60	0.00
Dodge City, Kan.	50	60	0.00
Lander, Wyo.	40	50	0.00
North Platte, Neb.	40	50	0.00
Omaha, Neb.	48	58	0.00
Pueblo, Colo.	50	60	0.00
Rapid City, S. D.	40	50	0.00
St. Joe City, Mo.	50	60	0.00
Santa Fe, N. M.	50	60	0.00
Shelburne, Vt.	40	50	0.00
St. Paul, Minn.	50	60	0.00
Valdosta, Ga.	50	60	0.00

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